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SUBJECT: VISIT OF WEST POINT CADETS TO TAIWAN

- 1. THIS SUMMER, AS IN PAST YEARS, WEST POINT PLANS TO SEND FOUR CADETS AND ONE EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO TAIWAN FOR A TWO-WEEK CHINESE LANGUAGE AND AREA ORIENTATION VISIT. THE PURPOSE OF THE CADETS' VISIT IS TO STIMULATE INTEREST IN THE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE OF CHINA. SIMILAR TRIPS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR AT LEAST SIX YEARS.
- 2. THE ITINERARY FOR THIS YEAR'S TRIP WILL PROBABLY INCLUDE, AS IN THE PAST, VISITS TO THE CHINESE MILITARY ACADEMY, THE POLITICAL WARFARE SCHOOL, AND THE US EMBASSY LANGUAGE SCHOOL. A CALL IS USUALLY SCHEDULED ON THE CINC, ROC ARMY. DATES FOR THIS YEAR'S TOUR ARE TENTATIVELY SET FOR JULY 13-28, AND DAO HAS INFORMED US THAT TRAVEL ORDERS FOR THE CADETS AND THEIR EXECUTIVE OFFICER HAVE ALREADY BEEN CUT.
- 3. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THIS IS A RATHER LOW-PROFILE VISIT, WE ARE INCLINED NOT TO INTERPOSE OBJECTION TO IT. HOWEVER, DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER ISSUING GUIDANCE NOW FOR NEXT YEAR AND SUBSEQUENT YEARS. DAO INFORMS US THAT THE OFFICE OF THE CONFIDENTIAL

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